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The

Knothole

S.U.N.Y. COLLEGE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND FORESTRY

October 8, 1992

CAMPUS ALERT

by Kevin Walsh

Q. What is it?

A. Personal security to go. Your choice of a high pitched (very annoying) or moderately pitched (still awfully annoying) security screecher.

Q. How does it work?

A. Pull the pin (hand grenade style) and the screecher does its thing. The theory being that the last thing an attacker wants is anything that draws attention to the potential victim. So use it if you sense you're in danger.

Q. Will anyone come to my rescue?

A. No guarantees, but Public Safety will respond when we hear a screecher. Their effectiveness depends a lot on the owner's good common sense and the lack of false alarms.

Q. How do I get one?

A. Go to the Business Office and pay for the model you prefer. Then bring your receipt to the Public Safety Office and pick up the device.

Q. Do I have to mortgage my first-born to pay for this added personal protection?

A. Nope. There are two models - both come with attachments so that you can also use them as home (dorm) security devices.

Model #1 - Tag Master Flashlight (moderate pitch) - \$6.00

Model #2 - Personal Protector Key Ring (high pitch) - \$10.00

Q. Ok, but what about the batteries?

A. Would you believe - Batteries included!

Q. Not a bad deal but how come no poem?

A. I spent ten bucks on a screecher,
Cause I don't live the life of a preacher.
Often out late at night,
And not much in a fight.
Let the noise scare any violent creature.

Officer Kevin Reynolds will be working 8am to 4pm, and will be going building to building to demonstrate the campus alert devices on Thursday, October 8th.

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Eleventh National Trails Symposium

JoAnne Oliver, Graduate Student, EFB

Recently I attended the 11th National Trails Symposium in Missoula, Montana and thought I'd share my experience with the ESF (and SU) community. This was a four-day gathering of people interested in the establishment of trails for recreation purposes. The Symposium was attended by trails enthusiasts from throughout the United States and Canada with a record 320 attending. The American Hiking Society held its meeting prior to and jointly with the Symposium, thus boosting attendance. The theme of the Symposium was "Trails for all Americans" - the development of a nationwide trails system that places a trail within 15 minutes of each home, and the promotion of National Trails Day (June 5, 1993). The meeting focused on trails designed for single or multiple-use including hiking, biking, equestrians, motorcyclists, ATV riders, snowmobilers and cross-country skiers.

Among those present were National Park Service and Forest Service employees, county and state employees and members of private trails endeavors such as the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy and national scenic trails representatives (Appalachian Trail Conference, Pacific Crest Trail Conference, North Country Trail Association, Continental Divide Trail Society, to name a few).

Concurrent sessions chaired by various trails experts provided informative lectures and prompted discussions regarding a variety of trail topics. I had a hard time choosing my allotted five among the twenty-five sessions offered. Others agreed that sessions should have been offered more than once and this ended up as my only complaint about the planning of the Symposium. Nevertheless, I gained insight by attending sessions on trail mapping, volunteer training, planning for successful multiple-use trails and trails research and information needs. The last two days of the meeting included afternoon field trips that allowed us to examine trail design and construction within recreation areas near Missoula. I chose the Pattee Canyon Recreation Area containing multiple-use trails for hikers, bikers, equestrians and cross-country skiers. My second field trip was on an interpretive trail designed for physically-challenged users. Both trails featured drainage devices, variances in surfacing materials and ways to alleviate vandalism of signs and structures. District rangers led the field trips and pointed out assets and debits of the trails. This included confessions that some trail construction was completed without fully considering the user - a mistake that is common within the realm of parks and recreation.

If you are interested in trails or have any trails maintenance experience I would like to talk with you. I also collect trails-related information in case you need info or have some to share. I am located in Room 150 Illick Hall.

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Letters

More Time, More Credit, More Learning

I hope to address something here that almost everyone at ESF has or has had a stake in. No, not somebody else's heart, but the Ecology class. It is quite a good class, as far as it goes; but it doesn't go far enough. Being the one class that virtually all of us take or have taken here, I think it should be a "great class", not merely "quite good." Unfortunately, I see no way for it to improve as long as there are only two hours of lecture a week. A mere two hours is surely not Dr. Brocke's decision, and he must be as unhappy as we are at the impossibility of actually *learning* in the lectures. How many graphs has he needed to take off the board before we had the information contained in them? How many questions has he been unable to address because of the tick-tock of an insufficient lecture time? And we all know that if one student has the courage to ask a question, there must be plenty of other who didn't, for fear of looking dense. I know Dr. Brocke is available during office hours to answer questions, and there is a queue of students gathered in front of Marshall Auditorium at the end of every class. Well, that treats the symptom, but not the problem. Everybody gets gypped.

A far-too-short lecture time might be bearable if the book could pick up the slack. It ain't gonna happen with Colinvau's book, however. Talk about inaccessible information! Talk about unnecessary long bloated words! Just the facts, please, sir, in your next textbook.

I don't need to feel that other people don't get what I'm saying in order to feel educated. If I had a quarter for every time I heard someone say they've "given up on the book," well, I could go out to dinner. And if I had a mere nickel for every time someone has said, "I just hope my lab brings up my grade," hell, I could pay my phone bill! There is an all-too-easy solution for the frustration we are all feeling. Make it a four credit class. Give us three solid hours of lecture a week. This will create no scheduling problems, as we all wait 'til 11:30 for our next class anyway. Dr. Brocke would have time to explain those graphs and equations, to field a couple questions and answer them fully enough that he and the students feel satisfied. It would make it a class people really learn in, rather than struggle to "get just enough" to do OK on exams.

name withheld by request



Response

Janna Beckerman's article and Craig Vollmer's response have opened the floor for a long overdue discussion. I have issues to take up with both arguments presented in the last two offerings of the *Knothole*.

To establish the playing field let us first acknowledge that the Republican platform has openly condoned gay bashing. There is nothing ambiguous about the message the convention put out. Simply stated, the platform says that one may discriminate against homosexuals. Make no mistake in thinking that Beckerman's article was in any way an overstatement. It is open season on gays. Here lies my problem with Vollmer's response: you have a deep misunderstanding of what it means to be persecuted. Unfortunately, Beckerman's article alienates you in such a way that you can not possibly begin to understand the climate in which persecuted people live in. Without a fundamental understanding of the terror and rage that permeates an oppressed community, the oppressor is as helpless as the oppressed.

What I'm going to share with you happens everyday, almost everywhere. It is not confined to homosexuals but exists wherever prejudice exists:

An eleven year old boy lives with his mother and his two "uncles" who are lovers. Today during lunch hour, he went to the bathroom. As he stands at the urinal, he feels warm streaks of liquid along the back of his thighs. He turns around to see a group of eight boys still urinating on him. He hardly feels the first fist that lands squarely on his jaw. He can only hear the laughter of those who will be applauded for teaching that freak a lesson.

In Oregon today, they are trying to tell you that homosexuals don't deserve special treatment. Let me tell you about the special treatment they want. They want to hold the jobs they are qualified for. They want the heterosexual juror to realize it is a crime to slaughter the two elderly women who lived together on 103rd street for twenty years. They want equal rights, not special treatment as Phyllis Schlafly so politely phrased it on *Meet the Press*.

There is no question that Beckerman's bitterness echoes the cries of many oppressed people. However, this bitterness betrays the spirits of Plato, Whitman, and Michelangelo whom she beckons us to remember. These artists celebrated the power of embracing that which would otherwise devour us. Dr. King and Harvey Milk did not die so that we may alienate ourselves in a sea of resentment. Rather, they urged us to stand with our arms open to our oppressors, but never bow down, never tolerate that which dehumanizes us. They urged us to rise above the cruelty of our oppressors so that they may see their own inhumanity.

To Vollmer, I urge you not to underestimate the realities of prejudice. It is presumptuous of you to think one can go to the gym to relieve the rage produced by a social injustice. It illustrates an infantile understanding of prejudice. To Beckerman, I would send you to read Alice Walker and Rita May Brown. Both authors offer a powerful humanist point of view free of pretense. I would urge you to avoid a holier than thou attitude. So many of us isolate ourselves by our sexual identities letting the real opportunities for change pass us by.

Corey Steinman, EFB

THE 78th ANNUAL
FALL BB-Q IS COMING
 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24th
 GET YOUR TICKETS
 OCTOBER 12th - 16th
 11AM - 1PM
 MARSHALL FOYER

****Don't forget to register your four member GREASE POLE teams in 110 Bray...**

****Watch for next weeks KNOTHOLE for more details on the BB-Q and Parent/Family Weekend activities!!!**

Conservation to an Extreme

OK, this is not an article of great importance when compared to world events or politics. But, who knows? It could become the weekly "quad" debate that plagued last semester's *Knothole*. Anyway, it is an announcement that I encounter on a daily basis and I would like someone to explain to me why men (and perhaps women) don't practice what I learned as a small child: the act of flushing.

Unlike areas experiencing drought (southern California), the Northeast has plenty of water. I could mention some of the figures I'm currently learning in a hydrology course, but not being an *expert* in water resources reminds me that a little knowledge can be a dangerous thing. Well, in southern California they practice the ideas of "if it's yellow, let it mellow" (I think we all know the second half of that one). I see this practiced at ESF and I'm a bit disgusted. Personally, if any liquid accidentally splashes up on me as I stand there, I want that liquid to be **clear**! Because they are receptacles of human waste, I understand that urinals and toilets are not germ-free, so all of this must be a psychological thing. If needs be, I end up flushing before and after.

Now, if we're talking about a waste of water, then someone please explain to me, perhaps with numbers, the amount of water wasted with each flush and how that adds up on a daily basis. There are probably some financial ramifications to this, so if someone from the administration could let me know the water budget pertaining solely to lavatories, it would be appreciated. If it's enough to lower any fees or tuition costs, maybe I could learn to cringe and bear it.

Just for the record, I do not let the water run while brushing my teeth nor while shaving, though I am sometimes guilty if there's only a small amount of dishes. My father and mother, (growing up in the Great Depression and post-WWII war-torn Europe, respectively) while teaching us not to waste, did teach us about cleanliness and hygiene. Besides, we can all envision saving a flush here and there in our own house/apartment, but we don't have over 2000 students there on a daily basis!

So, I hope to hear from all of you financial wizards who will tell me how much money ESF will save, and all of you chemists who will say I have no reason to be put off by someone else's chemical solution. I'll also probably get an earful from the diehard conservationists who will tell me that, despite my daily efforts to recycle all that is possible, turning off lights and putting on a sweater to conserve energy, and not purchasing items excessively packaged to reduce waster, yup- they'll tell me that I'm being inconsiderate, hypocritical and wasteful.

Remember the best seller Everything I Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten by Robert Fulgham? Well, flushing is in there.

-Paul Reisner, Graduate student

The Quad

Yes, it's me again, here to stir up some more controversial issues in this year's *Knothole*. I'm sure that many of you that know me are wondering just what it is that I'm going to dream up this time. Well, I'm not going to dream up any wild stories about worms or any other "wildlife" that may exist on the college campus.

I am, however, a little disappointed at the student body in general. I don't think that a day goes by that I don't see someone walking across the quad as a short cut to one of the building entrances or to leave campus. That's not what disappoints me about the student body (although I am disappointed at the people who walk on it), what disappoints me is no one says a word to these people. Unfortunately, I myself am also guilty of this and can say that I to am disappointed in myself as well (being a member of the body and all), thus I want to head anyone off at the pass who might consider me to be a hypocrite.

When I first came here moons ago, I found out very quickly that NOT walking on the quad was a time honored tradition started by the students some time ago, and for a good reason. I'm sure that many of you have been on SU's quad and have seen all of the paths that have been worn in the grass as a result of laziness and apathy by the SU students (I do realize that in this instance I am generalizing and for anyone who doesn't walk on SU's grass, I apologize for grouping you in with those who do). I don't think it looks too pretty and I really don't want it to happen to our quad.

There may, however, be something that I am overlooking; perhaps these people have not been made aware of the tradition. In the past if someone walked on the quad, students, faculty/staff, and the public alike were verbally warned not to walk on the quad and to use the sidewalks. Well, I do believe that it's time to restart this tradition, so fair warning to those who I catch walking on the quad; be prepared to be made an example of. Warning has been issued here in the *Knothole*, and I am officially pulling myself out of the group I earlier referred to as those not speaking up. Maybe some others will join me.

Craig Vollmer

Hey!!

Returning students *PLEASE* update your addresses at the Registrar's office.

If you don't, you might not be able to get that very all-important mailage!

Janna's Turn

by Janna Beckerman

Apathetical- (ap'-a-thet-ik) adj. Also APATHETICAL (i-kal)...[blend of APATHY and PATHETIC]. The American Heritage of the English Language, 1969.

Perhaps if Mr. Vollmer could retire his children's dictionary of the English language, he could save himself future embarrassment. But, then again, here is a man who states you cannot get your point across by insulting people- as he proceeds to insult me. I disagree, but I hope he gets more mileage out of his pompos and sanctimonious "Do as I say, not as I do" than he gets out of his dictionary. I do, however, applaud the fact that he took the time to express an opinion, and if he finds me, I'll buy him a beer and we can gab about what offended him, unless my hulking 99 lb frame intimidates him too much.

The objective of my column isn't to bash Mr. Vollmer. Actually, this segment is more concerned about the ink war in the *Daily Orange* by the head of the SAS and a law student. The article is about oppression/ blame/ racism, etc. I had but one problem with Toriano Peterson's article, and that involves the statement that HIV was created in a lab to keep African-Americans from procreating. Please!!! About five years ago, this was the argument the gay community used, and obviously, it wasn't to keep them from reproducing. Instead of throwing pseudoscientific conjecture around [conjecture that can never be exposed to rigorous scientific examination and experimentation], let's look at the facts:

FACT: Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) can be transmitted from:

- 1) Unprotected hetero and/or homosexual sex, meaning vaginal, oral and/or anal sex.
- 2) Infected mother to child, in utero, during delivery, after birth.
- 3) Donor products like blood, organs and semen.
- 4) Needle sharing.

Any member of any community, if they partake in unprotected sex, needle sharing and/or blood transfusions (although much less likely now) can contract HIV. The disease, unlike either of these two above mentioned letter writers, does not discriminate. I urge anyone with questions, or especially an interest in volunteering to call the CNY AIDS Task Force at 475-2430.

Next week: Fun scientific names to impress and abhor your parents.

Did you know...

that ESF will have a **new chemistry building**? The architectural firm of Quinlivan, Pierik and Krause will be on campus in Marshall Auditorium on October 13 at 3:30 pm to review their design concepts.

All are invited to attend.

Think With Me

by Ann Russell

The Common Path

The scene: A small house in the Adirondacks on a frosty fall evening. There's a fire in the fireplace with a good supply of wood to allow it to burn long into the night (heck let's even throw in a sleeping dog well...make that two dogs). The action in the room consists of three people lying about the furniture. They are talking, more specifically they are friends and they are deep in conversation as sometimes happens between friends. This conversation has all the staples; talking, listening, laughing and silence. It all started in a pretty much round-robin format; ended up as a blending of ideas, thoughts, feelings and stories.

Does any of this sound familiar? I'm sure it does. But why? What is it that allows us to open ourselves up to certain people and not to others. What sparks this "thing" called friendship. I believe one of the greatest achievements of one's life is to have touched the life of someone in such a way that this person, in turn, gives back some of the love which you exude. More simply, to be a friend and to have friends. Life blood, life givers, those who support you and at times let you go.

Our human nature compels us towards companionship. A need to interact with one another and in the extreme to find a mate and possibly reproduce. Blah, Blah, Blah..So, where does friendship fit into this exaggerated scheme? The answer...who really cares! Let me get back to what I mean.

Along this path we call life there are many different side trails, intersections, stopping points and drop-offs. Some find the path swift and pass you by, others find it difficult and stumble as you move slowly past them. Chances are you will find yourself in both circumstances. As you walk along there will be those who never pass you or stagger behind, they walk beside you. For a while you may not notice them and eventually they may dissipate from your path. Yet, every now and then you stop to look at this person who seems to be sharing your path and, who's path you are sharing. You explore them by revealing yourself to them in hopes that they will also confide in you, and they do. Thus, a friendship is formed. Occasionally, you find someone who even though they may not be headed to the same place as you, can find a way to get there with you (while still finding their own way). This togetherness may not always be of physical presence but that of the heart (this is true friendship).

So, I will bring this to an end with some advice. As these months of colder weather fall (no pun intended), upon us, keep each other warm! (Take that as you wish!)

Keep hiking along and don't be afraid to lean on a friend, to confide in a friend and most important of all, to be a friend!

P.S. Congrats, to those of you who made it through all those exams last week, and good luck if your's is yet to come.

What is Knowledge?**The Next Step Toward Understanding Yourself.**

By Darryl G. Murdock

Ever wonder why you know the things you know? Why is it that you can remember some things and not others? Why can't I remember the name of someone to whom I was introduced only moments ago and yet I can still remember falling out of a tree when I was three?

Before I start sounding like Andy Rooney, I'd like to take a few minutes to explore the hitherto untapped resources of your brain and have you think about what you know. I don't mean what is the capital of ancient Assyria, or other bits of trivia. What I do mean is why and how some information becomes knowledge, and why some information isn't actually knowledge. Did I lose you there?

Try this on for size. Information, on a personal scale, (remember how everything is scale dependent), is nothing more than assimilation of the sound, light, smell, taste, and tactile sensation you receive every day, every week, every month, every year...you get the picture. Knowledge is the filtering and processing of this information by our gray matter. Using an office analogy, try thinking of information as it exists in the office. Information in an office is usually kept in a file cabinet or on a computer in some type of digital filing system. Information in our brain is stored as files also, but is generally unsorted. Knowledge, therefore, is an ordering of this information so we may access it when we need it. But wait, there's more. Our discussion of knowledge would be incomplete if we didn't talk about the third element involved, processing. Once the files are organized in a coherent manner, the real difference between humans becomes apparent. Every day, each and every one of us runs the data we receive through a series of filters. These filters are of different shapes and sizes and perform different functions. Each of us processes information differently; some may favor color over luminance, some quiet over noise, some text over numbers. The beauty is no two people have the same set of filters, arranged in the same fashion. Our information filters are shaped to a great degree on our environments, to what we are attuned and what we are able to perceive. We are also limited by our physical capabilities (ie some of us have better hearing, vision, etc.). All of these factors combined create the reality each of us share separately. No, that last line is not a typo.

So what? How can we share a separate reality? Easy. Each of us is capable of attending some event and yet interpreting what happened in a different manner. Case in point, the Elton John concert last Saturday. I went, had a great time and really enjoyed the music and Elton's piano playing. A friend of mine thought the concert wasn't loud enough. Another person noticed the costumes and stage setup. Everyone experienced the concert, yet each ran that experience through their own personal filters and developed their own sense of reality.

Knowledge continued in page 10.

ON BEING HUMAN

by aina

Many times I have heard that it is common to feel lonely even among people you know; that is true. But it is also true that there is no need to feel lonely even when you are alone. I believe, like Sartre, that humans are fundamentally alone, that the communications problem (i.e., thoughts cannot be directly comprehended by the other) is such that we can never really share our 'essence' with another.

His philosophy is ultimately devastating. I do not think there is a need to go to such extremes. In fact, it would be impossible to do so and conserve your sanity. But being alone is something that has to be accepted as a fact of life. Otherwise we run the risk of wasting our lives running around looking for 'company', of negating ourselves for the sake of being what the others want us to be. And all in an effort to be 'part of the group' and deny our fundamental 'aloneness'.

Sartre also defines humans as follows: "Being human is to be a being whose being consists of not having to be what it is". That is, we are capable of changing. Therefore, to all of you who are pretending to be what you are not in an effort to combat loneliness, I say: **Dare to change!** Ralph Waldo Emerson said it best: "Be yourself; never imitate". If you lose your friends in the process, they were never your friends anyway.

Being alone is not as bad as it seems and friends come and go with the times. It is not worth sacrificing the only life you have to please others who, if they really cared for you, would be trying to please you! It is better to be alone than in bad company. What is 'bad' is relative to the circumstances and the people involved but I believe anything that attempts against a person's integrity as an individual is bad. To quote from Emerson again: "Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind". Think about it.

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****ATTENTION UNDERGRADUATE SENIORS****

The 1993 essay contest for **THE ELIE WIESEL PRIZE IN ETHICS** is an opportunity for undergraduate seniors to compete for awards totaling \$10,000. This nationwide contest, challenges students in colleges and universities to examine and analyze ethical issues facing them in today's complex and changing world.

For information on the guidelines and for an entry form, please see Prof. Jim Coufal or Secretary in 211 Marshall Hall.

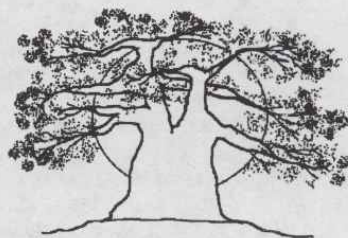
All entries must be postmarked by Wednesday, December 30, 1992. No FAX submissions will be accepted.

THE BAOBAB TREE

About the Society

The purpose of the Baobab Society is to unite ESF students by enhancing awareness of cultural diversity, and promote the interests of our diverse student body in campus and community issues. Through various educational and social events, we hope to present the campus community with fresh perspectives of multicultural awareness. Our membership is open to all students, regardless of race, color, nationality, gender, sexual preference, etc. If you are interested in helping to become more of a "global family," we encourage you to join us at our weekly meetings, Thursdays at 6PM at 307 Baker Lab.

Peace,
Chris Flores
Former President



About our Symbol

Our symbol is the baobab tree (*Adansonia digitata*), which grows throughout sub-saharan Africa. To many peoples of the continent, it holds great significance, both practically and mythologically. Because of the thickness of the trunk, it can hold large amounts of water, which is used during times of drought. Different parts of the tree have many uses, such as basket making and firewood. It is also home to many different kinds of wildlife.

News

Oct. 8, at 6 pm a FREE FILM will be shown at Studio B in Illick Hall. This weeks film is "Mama, There's a Man in the Bedroom", a French film with subtitles. "Wild" popcorn and beverages will be served.
Oct. 10, at 11 am we will be heading out into the Lafayette area to go APPLE PICKING, all those interested please leave your name and phone number in our mailbox, in the basement of Bray Hall, by Thursday.

-Joel Brown

GAMMA DELTA THETA

What's up with Gamma Delt?

Wow! We've been so busy this semester and we are only half way through. We had an exchange dinner with Alpha Gamma Delta and it was great. Our bake sale was a big success thanks to the support of the ESF community. We are currently preparing for Homecoming with our partners in Lambda Chi Alpha. We are participating in this year's CROP walk which helps out local shelters and charity organizations. So when you see a Gamma Delt sister on campus tell her you want to sponsor her in the walk!! Every little bit counts.

The sisters of Gamma Delt would like to formally congratulate the members of the Beta pledge class:

Jennifer Erikson
Chris Ruscitto
Sara Shepard
Colleen Tahany
Betsy VanInwagen

Love the sisters of Gamma Delta Theta! 'Til next week.

- Teresa DelloRusso

Where does your money go?

Have you been wondering what that student activities fee was for on your ESF bill? Well-here is the answer to that intriguing question. The money goes into the budget for the Undergraduate Student Association. It is then used toward the various clubs and organization's events such as the Ice Cream Social, the TG's, Morning Munches, the December Soiree and the Spring Awards Banquet along with much, much more!! This is why some of these events are FREE and others are extremely inexpensive! We are all part of U.S.A. so make your voice heard. Come to a meeting - Mondays at 5:30 in Moon Lib. Conference Room. According to the surgeon general's annual report, involvement in club activities greatly enhances your resume, along with your GPA! So participate in the clubs and attend the events - **You've paid for it!**

-Andrea Iosue

TUTORS WANTED

If you are interested in being a tutor this year and making some extra money while helping your fellow students, come to 110 Bray Hall and complete an application form.

Into the Mystic

Within the Breath of Nature, a moment can teach us that which we desire to learn. And seemingly, learning has nothing to do with cold motions or facts. It is more of a realization...an embracing of acceptance...and especially, an emotion uninhibited. All too often the strength of EVERYDAY shadows our opportunities to genuinely learn.

ESF is an ideal place and time in our lives to learn from more opportunities than we will ever have again...don't let this situation pass you by! Every person or idea offers a chance for us to grasp something about others AND ourselves.

Through my personal choice of being involved in our Student Government, I get to see many of our classmates truly making a difference in so many clubs and organizations we have available to us. This, very honestly, is exciting to me. Living, not just existing, is extremely important...and although there is still so very much to learn, I see many of us happy in our efforts to do so.

If anyone has any questions about what is actually available through ESF or SU, just get in touch with me through my mailbox in the basement of Bray, or call 479-0508, or come to a meeting on Monday evenings (5:30 Moon Conference Room), or do whatever you have to...myself and many others will be happy to help you !!!

By the way, there is a T.G.I.F. on Friday (Oct. 9) that will be hosted by the Forest Engineers...so go and enjoy yourself! Also, keep in mind the fast approaching Fall BBQ/Family-Parent Weekend (Oct. 23-25) and the December Soiree (Dec. 11)! Until next week...

Take Care and Remember to Smile,
Ron Casey
Pres. of Undergrad. Student Assoc.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Tylenol company is announcing its Tylenol Brand Scholarship.

All students including continuing education students are eligible. Students must be enrolled for Fall 1993. Awards are based on leadership roles in school and the community. Academic achievement is also considered.

For more information, come to the Financial Aid Office, 115 Bray Hall.

Deadline: November 15, 1992.

The Food and Drug Law Institute is announcing their H. Thomas Austern writing awards.

The contest involves writing a paper about how law affects their area of interest. Students must be enrolled in or have taken a law course.

For more information, come in to the Financial Aid Office, 115 Bray.

Deadline: April 23, 1993

Woodsmen's Team Report

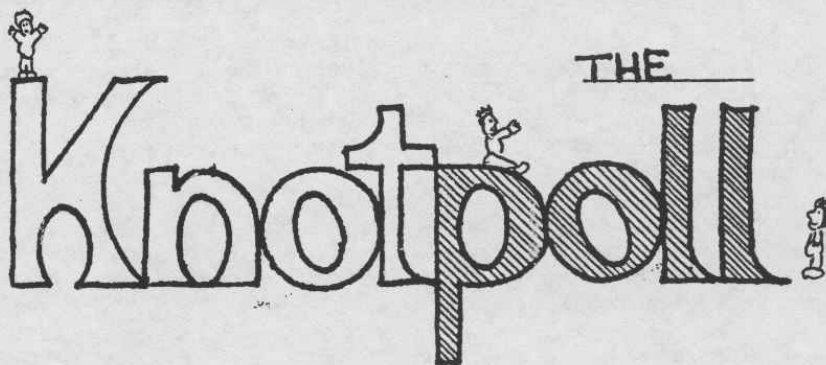
Mary Ann Holcomb

Well, where to begin... The Woodsmen's Team woke up about 7:00 AM on Saturday morning to look outside and see rain. Well, usually this isn't a big deal, and normally most people aren't awake this early. However on this particular Saturday we were going to a small town named Jordan that is about 30 miles west of Syracuse. We went to Jordan to participate in their annual Fall Festival, The Jordan Fall Festival. This is the kind of town that had signs and arrows on every corner pointing to the festival. And by noon or so when the rain ceased I think the whole town showed up.

CCFL (Community College of the Finger Lakes) and Paul Smith's were the other colleges that competed. The men's "A" team, which consisted of Greg Comatas, Mike Huneke, Jay Westfal, Pat Carragher, Curtis Grotenthaler, and Bob Fewster took first place. The men's "B" team, which consisted of Pat Robinson, Kevin Holcomb, Chris Gearhart, Fred Clinton, Chris Berry, and Andrew Willard. The women's "C" team, which consisted of Michelle Tackley, Tiffany Parsley, Kathy Hickey, Katie McConvey, Jen Solens and Mary Ann Holcomb, took first place. Various trophies are on display in Nifkin.

The meet began after a while, and the first event was pulp toss. Men's "A" and the ladies took first. The other two team events, cross-cut and bowsaw, were next. The men's "A" team and the women's "C" team both took first place in both events. Doubles events were next, which were: splitting, horizontal chop, and firebuild. Greg Comatas and Bob Fewster split for the "A" team, and won 1st place. Pat Robinson and Chris Berry split for the B team and won 2nd place. Tiffany Parsley and Katie McConvey split for the ladies, winning another 1st place. Horizontal choppers for men's "A" were Jay Westfall and Pat Carragher, and they won 2nd place. Horizontal choppers for the ladies were Michelle Tackley and Kathy Hickey; they also took first place. And for the last event.... Firebuild, which was a good thing because it lasted a bit longer than usual. For men's "B", newcomers Kevin Holcomb and Fred Clinton did very well, with the second fastest time for the day, beating the Men's "A" and Ladies team by about 10 or fifteen minutes. Mike the Eaglescout Huneke and Curtis Grotenthaler made a world's record in firebuild for the "A" team, and the women, Jen Solens and Mary Ann Holcomb took second place with a time that was somewhere between the Men's A & B times.

All are welcome to come to practice, which is held at the Lafayette Experiment Station on Mondays and Thursdays at 7:00, and Saturdays at 10:00. If you don't know how to get there, go to the old greenhouses fifteen minutes early to get a ride or drive if you have a vehicle.



Is there anybody out there? We're listening if you have something to say. Every week there will be a question which we'd like you to answer. Your opinion is important to us. The results of each student and faculty poll will be reported weekly. Just rip out the page on which the question appears and drop it off inside the entrance of Moon Library. Suggestions for new questions would be greatly appreciated and can be from a variety of topics. Everything from social and political issues to campus life is fair game. We look forward to hearing your response!

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

Do you think the Orangemen should be banned from the NCAA championship tournament?

A. YES

B. NO

I AM :

STUDENT

FACULTY/STAFF

Comments:

News from the Society of American Foresters

by Jenny Kupp

Welcome back! Here's a recap of what's been happening with SAF. Our first introductory meeting was highlighted by a movie entitled "From Stump to Ship" about river driving on the Machias River in eastern Maine early in this century. It was an engaging and humorous flick.

Our second meeting consisted of a tour of the WPE labs' facilities in Baker Hall, conducted by Dr. Meyer. We saw the preservation lab, dry kiln, sawmill, veneer and plywood machinery, and stress test equipment.

Our third meeting consisted of a slide show and discussion of forestry work, particularly in loblolly pine plantations, with Weyerhaeuser in North Carolina and Mississippi.

Dr. Joel Howard worked on this while on sabbatical this past year. The lecture was captivating, informative, and humorous as well.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank both Dr. Meyer and Dr. Howard for taking time to show us something about what they do and with which many of us have had little experience. Thank you very much!

If you'd like to get involved with our student chapter and/or the national SAF, please come to our meetings on Tuesdays at 6:30 in 212 Marshall. We have many appealing speakers, trips, and movies planned, and we even get

FEG Club News

Greetings! Things have been going quite smooth so far this year. We have had increased interest in the club this year with approximately 30 regular attending members. We would like to thank all who made our recent bake sale a big success. Future fund raising events include T-shirt sales as well as additional bake sales. The club plans to go on two or three field trips this semester, including the second annual Long Island waste management trip.

Don't forget the upcoming T.G.I.F the club is sponsoring on Friday October 9. Hope to see you all there. Adios.

-FEG Club officers.

Rifle Club Meeting

Oct. 14, 1992
5 pm-6 pm
212 Marshall Hall

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The point is, GET USED TO IT!! Your entire life will be spent trying to see things through the eyes of other people. The more information you have, the better you will be able to synthesize knowledge and perhaps develop an empathy toward those who may not see things your way, or may not have the information necessary upon which they can base a decision. Be a little more tolerant of other viewpoints. After all, there are billions and billions of differing ideas and different kinds of knowledge. From Andy Rooney to Carl Sagan. Is that progress or what?

QUOTE

"Love is a snowmobile racing across the tundra that suddenly flips over pinning you underneath. At night the ice weasels come."

-Nietzsche (Greoning)

There once was a fork named Jerome,
Who was made out of shiny new chrome.
One day he had a mishap,
And now he looks just like crap.

***** FELLOWSHIPS *****

Howard Hughes Medical Institute is announcing Predoctoral Fellowships in Biological Sciences.

Open to all students who have completed less than one year of graduate study in biological sciences.

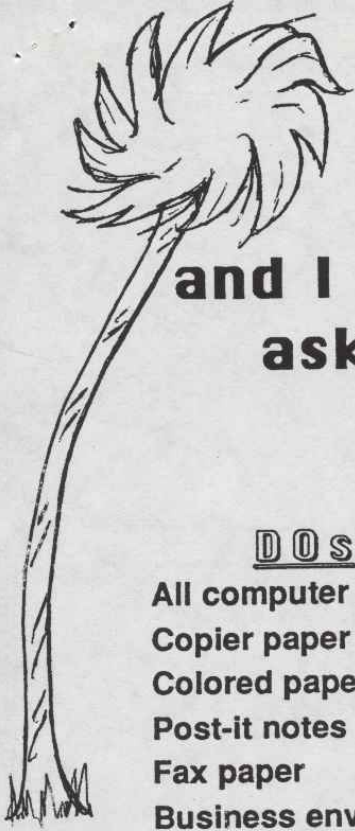
For more information, come in to the Financial Aid Office, 115 Bray Hall.

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Ford Foundation Predoctoral and Dissertation Fellowships for Minorities.

Open to all minority students who aspire to a teaching and research career. Doctoral programs in many areas of study from humanities to mathematics will be awarded.

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and I speak for the trees, and I
ask you to please, PLEASE
recycle your paper!**

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Copier paper
Colored paper
Post-it notes
Fax paper
Business envelopes
Newspapers
Magazines
Corrugated cardboard
Carbonless forms
Bond paper
Index cards
Manilla folders
Tablet paper
Calculator tape
Shredded paper
Tabbed dividers
Account ledger sheets
Staples and paper clips

DON'Ts

Air freight envelopes
Blueprints
Paper towels
Tissues
Carbon paper
Food wrappers

***...Just look for the
yellow bin!***



Calendar of Events

Thursday, October 8th

USA Elections in Marhsall Foyer. Last Day to Vote.

Alpha Xi Sigma Honor Society's first meeting in Marshall 212 at 7:00 pm.

Friday, October 9th

TGIF hosted by the Forest Engineering Club. Bring your mug!

Friday, October 23rd-Sunday, October 25

Parent Family Weekend

CROP WALK

to help stop hunger

walk to raise money for people in need of food

Sunday Oct. 18 2:00pm

sponsored by Church World Services

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